

MOVES DOWN TOWN

HE PUTS UP A NEW SIGN THAT ATTRACTS A LARGE CROWD.

Wichita Will Have a Wholesale Hardware House—The Knight Wholesale Hardware Co. is coming to stay—A few facts about the men back of the enterprise—Cannot solve problems of National Finance But is somewhat of a Rouser When it Comes to Business—Traveling Men Will be Sent Out.

A crowd gathered in front of 140 North Main street yesterday and read the gold letters of three big signs.

The building is three stories high and a sign was put on the top and extending clear across the front. It reads: "The McKnight." Across the second story was another: "Wholesale" and over the doors of the ground story were "Hardware Co."

The McKnight Wholesale Hardware Co. will occupy the entire building. People are moving out of the upstairs rooms and hardware is being put in. Joe the Hatter now occupies the ground floor and he will vacate the first of next month.

The men engaged in other branches of wholesale trade have been saying for years that Wichita needed a wholesale hardware house and that is what it is going to have. And it will be in full blast by the first of March.

A reporter asked the place where the big new signs were being put and found Mr. McKnight in the office of Joe the Hatter. He was asked what the big sign meant. Mr. McKnight modestly replied that it meant just what it said. "We intend to have a full line of shelf hardware, builders hardware and mechanics tools. We will fill up our house and expect to put out traveling men on the road by the first of March. Come around then and see what we will have."

These were modest words but when it is taken into consideration who said them they mean something. J. H. McKnight is an example of what business integrity and push can accomplish in Wichita.

In the summer of 1890 he rented the two stories over 352 North Main street. He placed a little sign at the foot of the stairway. "J. H. McKnight, wholesale cutlery." People saw the little, modest man go up and come down stairs, but people who did not know what that little sign meant.

J. H. McKnight never came down to the corner of Main and Douglas to help the statement settle the great question of national finance or a calamity song. Every day he climbed the stairs at 352 North Main and one day last summer the prominent business man in Wichita looked around what an announcement was made in the Eagle that J. H. McKnight was running a wholesale cutlery establishment in Wichita and that his traveling men in every state and territory west of the Mississippi river.

That is just what he was doing and from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean in every important town today can be found the finest of cutlery branded "Royal Worcester, New York and Wichita." McKnight's traveling men have been waiting for him there for several weeks.

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IS HE ED BENNETT.

Man Supposed to be Wanted in Florida Arrested in Wichita.

A man supposed to be Ed Bennett, alias Ed Clark, a dangerous character from Florida now resides on a cot in the city prison and utterly refuses to give a line or word of his past history.

Three or four years ago Polk county at that state was terrorized by a band of outlaws. People were robbed in their homes and held up on the public highways in a way that was anything but pleasant to the good people of that section.

The outlaws were such experts at the work that for a long time the officers of the law could not even guess as to the identity of the perpetrators of these daring deeds. It was learned by some of the people who had been robbed that these men did the deed and that was all they knew. Citizens would be robbed in the streets of Burton and no trace could be found of the robbers.

Finally in the summer of 1892 a prominent citizen was robbed in his own home by three masked men. He recognized in the leader the form and voice of Ed Bennett and so informed the officers of the law.

Bennett was arrested and confined in the county jail of Polk county but was supposed by the aid of his two unknown partners made his escape.

Ever since the fall of 1892 the authorities of Florida have been trying to run Bennett down but without success. Detectives had trailed him and learned or became convinced that he was living under the name of Ed Clark.

Chief Cone was notified sometime last summer by the Florida authorities to keep a lookout for Bennett as they believed he had left the Mississippi river region and come west.

The fore part of last week Chief Cone dropped a line of information which led him to believe that Bennett was hiding in Wichita and was working his way to the southwest.

It was supposed that Bennett might have been sufficient time to identify Detectives Sutton and Wood, hence Chief Cone assigned a man to work under orders of Sutton and Wood while they kept in the background.

The man supposed to be Bennett was soon located and he was shadowed day and night. It was intended to take him to the jail at Topeka, Kan. but he was arrested before he could get to the jail.

The Florida authorities have been notified of the arrest and the officers from Polk county will come on to identify Bennett. In the mean time Chief Cone, Wood and Sutton are confident that they have Bennett and extra precautions are being taken to prevent his escape.

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MAKES DOCTORS HOT

PROPOSED MEDICAL LAW DEMONSTRATED BY A WICHITA PHYSICIAN.

It is ostensibly for the Regulation of Medical Practice, But Dr. Bennett Declares That Its Sole Aim is to Drive Physicians Who are so "Unprofessional" as to Advertise, Out of the Profession—He Declares Himself Forebly on the Law, and Points Out Where the Weak Points Are—Rights of Health Board Defined.

Those doctors who advertise are considerably worked up over a bill which is now up before the legislature. The bill was introduced by Representative Smith Thursday last and is entitled an act "to regulate the practice of medicine within the state and prevent the sale of medicines and drugs by itinerant vendors."

Dr. J. E. Bennett is one doctor in Wichita who does not like the bill and he goes for it with lance lowered, and blood in his eye. To a reporter for the Eagle he said yesterday:

"This bill provides that no person shall practice medicine unless of good moral character and a graduate of a legally chartered medical institution of good reputation."

"This all sounds well enough and to the thinking, or the man unacquainted in reference to the workings of such things, appears entirely fair. But to the physician, the man who has been forced to contend with the promoters of medical legislation there is quite enough to induce him to bestir himself and lift up his voice in warning and in opposition to such a scheme before it is too late."

It happens to be acquainted with the bill in question and cognizant of its provisions. Chief Cone, who was adopted by a convention of the physicians of the state assembly at the capitol building in Topeka, May 15, 1894. It was pointed out that it went to all the physicians of the state together with a circular letter asking the individual influence and financial aid of every physician in the state to secure its passage and enable it to become a law. It provides in section first that a graduate in medicine is to present his diploma to the health board and receive a certificate to practice by paying a small license fee.

WHAT IS UNPROFESSIONAL.

Section second is devoted to the rights and duties of the health board who are alone empowered to issue certificates and hence to decide who shall and who shall not practice medicine in the state. In the mean time Chief Cone, Wood and Sutton are confident that they have Bennett and extra precautions are being taken to prevent his escape.

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HE DIED ALL ALONE

JOE CAMPBELL FOUND DEAD IN THE OCCIDENTAL HOTEL.

Died Yesterday and Was Found Last Night—There Was No Evidence of Suicide—The Dead Man Left Some Record to Show That He Had Been in Trouble and Distress—If Anything Happens to Me It Was Caused by Whisky and Domestic Trouble—Was One Suspicious Entry—He Had Been Drinking Hard.

"There is a man dead up stairs," is what the alarmed chamber maid said as she ran down the stairs of the Occidental hotel last night.

It was soon learned that the dead man was in room 33. He was lying on his left side in the bed. The left hand was drawn over the left shoulder while the right was thrust in the top of his trousers which had not been removed when the man retired.

Coroner McAllister was notified and he came and took possession of the body and began to look for evidence to identify the dead man.

He had registered at 10 o'clock the night before and was assigned to room 33 as a lodger and had not reported for either breakfast, dinner or supper.

He had simply registered "Joe Campbell," without naming his residence. The room 33 was soon filled by people and several remembered of having seen the dead man here but none were able to tell what part of the city he lived in.

In his pocket was a large pocket-book which contained only papers. In it was a letter which apparently had just been written and read.

"Friend Wray—You must excuse me for not writing before as I have been very sick and am down yet and in bad shape. Have not earned a dollar since last September and don't know what is to become of me. I can't collect a cent now. From Joe Campbell, me \$50 on account. Will try and hand—"

The last few lines were written as if by a very nervous person and were unintelligible. The letter was not dated nor was any name signed.

On an envelope in the dead man's pocket was written on one corner "box 64, Wichita Kan." On a day book was written Joseph Campbell was born July 4, 1846, Co. B, 159 Reg. Ind. Vol. Infantry. In another place in the day book was written: "If anything happens to me it was caused by whisky, caused by family trouble." There was something written below this but it had been so nearly erased that it could not be made out. The words "the last words ever written by the now dead man."

The body was taken to the Gill undertaker's establishment and the coroner will examine further as to what caused the man's death. There was every evidence that the man died with a struggle which had been removed all suspicion that he had committed suicide.

The night clerk said that when Joe Campbell registered he seemed to be having been drinking but he was not what he would call very drunk.

The chamber maid said she went up to make the bed in 33 just before noon that he had gone to bed in the morning for a nap she closed the door and went away.

When the body was removed to the undertaker's about half the people present said they knew Campbell but were unable to tell where he lived. James Taylor said that Campbell and his wife had parted and that he had done some carpenter work for Mahan Brothers last fall.

Joe Campbell had evidently been in great trouble about something. In one place in his day book was written: "I was a fool to let that trouble me." In another place in the book made after this it was evident that he had been written several months ago. But there was no friend present to hear his last words. He died unattended and alone.

The dead man will likely be fully identified today.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE SANTA FE BAKERY is selling 3 One-Pound Loaves of Bread for 10c or 8 for 25c. Freshest and best in the city, and everything else in proportion. Don't Forget the Place. 146 N. Main

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Fine Hats and Caps at 1/2 and 1/3 regular price. Silk Umbrellas at \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, worth \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00. Underwear at unsurpassed values. Undressed Kid Gloves at 62 1/2c. Imported Kid Gloves at \$1.00. Dressed Kid Gloves at 87 1/2c worth \$1.50. Scotch Wool Gloves at 37 1/2c worth 75c, and other items too numerous to mention.

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SMITH'S BOOK STORE 114 N. MAIN ST., WICHITA, KAN.

LAW IS NOT FAIR. In the name of fairness, in the name of suffering humanity, and in the name of common honesty, I protest against this provision. There are cases in every locality of peculiar ailments that the medical pro-

FOR MONDAY SHOPPING.

In our north window is a display of 3000 yards fine assorted styles Dress Gingham which sold not many days since at 8 1/2 and 10c a yard.

We offer these Gingham tomorrow at 4c a yard. Remember, this special sale is less than half their real value. Sale begins at 8:30 a. m.

We have just received 100 pieces Jointless Matting, in select patterns, which we offer at special sale tomorrow at 12 1/2 and 15c. The last shipment of this Matting sold at 18 and 20c, and this invoice is superior in many respects to the previous lot.

Several fine Cocoa Mats on sale Monday 40c each.

AT Cash Henderson's 130-132 N. Main St.

HE WHO RUNS MAY READ

BIG BARGAINS in our stock of OVERCOATS, SUITS and PANTS at present prices. DON'T FORGET THE FACT THAT WE ARE CLOSING OUT THIS STOCK and have put price on it to move it quick. We have a few \$15.00 Worsteds Suits which we are selling for \$7.50, SOME \$9.00 ALL WOOL SUITS FOR \$4.50, and many others in the same proportion. It will pay you to investigate

C. M. JONES.

SPECIAL KNEE PANTS SALE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

50 doz Knee Pants worth 75c and \$1, consisting of Cheviots, Cassimers and Worsteds, sizes from 4 to 14, on sale Friday and Saturday AT 50c.

SEE EAST WINDOW.

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